GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 24, 2021
County Courthouse
Bessemer, MI 49911
5:00 p.m.

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at  $5:04~\rm p.m.$  by Chairman Lorenson. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was taken.

ROLL CALL:

Present: (7) Siirila, Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich,
Peterson (via bluejeans) Lorenson

Absent: (0) None

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES (March 10, 2021 meeting minutes)

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Siirila, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the minutes with the exception of Item 3 of the Summary Reports.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mr. Byrns, supported by Mr. Laabs, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the agenda.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COUNTY BOARD ON AGENDA ITEMS (5-minute limit)

There were none.

## COMMITTEE SUMMARY REPORTS:

- Personnel & Negotiations Committee/Committee of the Whole 2/24/21 A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr Siirila and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive the report and place it on file
- 2. Finance, Budgeting & Auditing Committee, 2/24/21 A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Siirila carried by unanimous voice vote to receive the report and place it on file
- 3. Ambulance Committee, 2/25/21 & 3/18/21 No motion to consider. It was moved by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Siirila and carried by unanimous vote to accept the minutes only of the two meetings and place them on file.

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### COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Michigan Dept. of Treasury, (Re: Designated Assessor) A motion was made by Bonovetz, and supported by Mr. Laabs, followed by unanimous voice vote to receive the communication and place it on file.
- 2. Cummings, McClorey, Davis & Acho (Re: Settlement of Markovic v. Gogebic County) A motion was made by Mr. Siirila and supported by Mr. Byrns to authorize proper signatures. Roll call was taken.

# ROLL CALL:

Yes: (7) Laabs, Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Lorenson

No: (0)

Motion carried

- 3. Missy Lane, Community Mental Health, (Re: Amended By-Laws) A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Laabs to receive and place on file. It was agreed a letter from the Clerk to CMH will be drafted regarding excuses due to meeting conflict issues.
- 4. Governor Gretchen Whitmer's Office, (Re: Response to Resolution regarding COVID-19 vaccinations) A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Byrns and carried by unanimous voice vote to receive the communication and place it on file.
- 5. Community Mental Health (Board Appointments) A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Byrns to appoint the following four persons to the CMH board.

Carrie Braspenick Stephen Thomas Patricia Crabtree Joe Bonovetz

Motion carried with a 6-0 voice vote, Mr. Bonovetz abstained

# APPEARANCES:

1. Heidi DeRosso, 911 director (Re: Resolution regarding 911 Fee Diversion) A motion was made by Mr. Byrns, supported by Mr. Bonovetz to authorize the proper signature on the resolution and place it on file. A unanimous voice vote supported the motion.

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# TRIAL BALANCE/CASH BALANCE:

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Laabs, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the report as presented.

### GENERAL FUND REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE CONTROL:

A motion was made by Mr. Siirila, supported by Mr. Byrns, and carried by unanimous voice vote to approve the report as presented.

## CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS:

A motion was made by Mr. Bonovetz, supported by Mr. Laabs to pay the claims as presented along with the pre-paids and make them a part of the minutes.

## Roll Call:

YES: (7) Byrns, Bonovetz, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila, Laabs, Lorenson

No: (0) None

Motion carried.

### OTHER MATTERS:

Mr. Byrns spoke of minor issues with the distribution of the Covid-19 vaccine. All agreed distribution has improved.

# PUBLIC COMMENT (5-minute limit)

There was none.

### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Orlich, supported by Mr. Siirila, and carried by unanimous voice vote to adjourn to the call of the Chair. The meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

James A. Lorenson, Chairman Ramona L. Collins, Clerk